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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment filed herein be entered at this time.

Our check in the amount of \$790 is enclosed to cover the required fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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